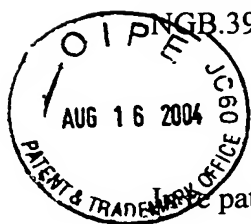


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Shinichi Matsuo et al.

Serial No.: 10/820,153

Group Art Unit: 3753

Filing Date: April 8, 2004

Examiner: Unknown

For: FLOAT VALVE DEVICE

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**SUBMISSION OF DECLARATION**

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated June 21, 2004 (copy enclosed), submitted herewith is the signed declaration for the above-identified patent application, along with our check in the amount of \$940 to cover the \$770 application filing fee, the \$130 surcharge for the late filing of the declaration, and \$40 for the assignment recordation fee.

Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sean M. McGinn".

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*Filing Date Granted***Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 770 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
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**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is **\$900** for a Large Entity

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**SUBMISSION OF FORMAL DRAWINGS**

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In response to the enclosed Notice to File Missing Parts dated June 21, 2004 (copy attached hereto), Applicant submits herewith a Submission of Corrected Formal Drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.84 and 37 C.F.R. 1.121. Approval and Acknowledgment of receipt are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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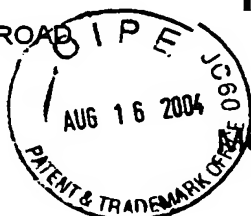
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